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By Hand

Mary Cottrell, Secretary
Department of Telecommunications and Energy
Commonwealth of Massachusetts
One South Station
Boston, MA 02110

Re: D.T.E. 01-31 – Price Cap Regulation

Dear Secretary Cottrell:

On behalf of AT&T Communications of New England, Inc. ("AT&T"), I have enclosed the AT&T's Appeal of the Hearing Officer's Ruling on AT&T's Motion for Protective Treatment. Exhibit B to this filing is the affidavit of Joseph G. Stack. I have enclosed a facsimile copy of the signature page and will forward an original of this page next week.

Please date stamp the enclosed copy of this letter and return it to the waiting messenger. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Best regards,

Kevin R. Prendergast

pc: Paula Foley, Hearing Officer Service List Jay E. Gruber, Esq.